



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT NO: SEH-05-144	POSITION: Clinical Psychologist
POSITION SERIES: DS-0180	POSITION GRADE: 11/12/13
OPENING DATE: 08/01/05	CLOSING DATE: Open Until Filled
IF "OPEN UNTIL FILLED" FIRST SCREENING DATE: 08/12/05 (And every two weeks thereafter)	SALARY RANGE: DS-11 - \$47,994 - \$62,391 DS-12 - \$57,521 - \$74,773 DS-13 - \$68,402 - \$88,928
WORKSITE: 2700 Martin Luther King, Jr., Ave., SE Washington, D.C. 20032	TOUR OF DUTY: 8:15 a.m. – 4:45 p.m., Monday - Friday
PROMOTION POTENTIAL: DS-13, if selected at the DS-11/12 grade level	AREA OF CONSIDERATION: Unlimited
AGENCY: St. Elizabeths Hospital, Forensic Inpatient Services, Post-Trial Branch	NO. OF VACANCIES: One (1)
DURATION OF APPOINTMENT: (X) Permanent () Term (13 months to 4 years) Not to Exceed _____. () Temporary (Up to 1 year), Not to Exceed _____ months.	
(X) This position IS in the collective bargaining unit represented by <u>Psychologist Union</u> and you may be required to pay an agency service fee through an automatic payroll deduction. () This position IS NOT in a collective bargaining unit.	
"RESIDENCY PREFERENCE AMENDMENT ACT OF 1988": An applicant for a position in the Career Service or for an attorney position (DS-905 series) in the Excepted Service who is a bona fide resident of the District of Columbia AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION, may claim a hiring preference over a non-resident applicant by completing the "Residency Preference for Employment" form, DC 2000RP, and submitting it with the employment application, DC 2000. To be granted preference, an applicant must: (1) be qualified for the position; and (2) submit a claim form at the time of application. Except for employees entitled by law to preference, preference will not be granted unless the claim is made at the time of application.	
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES: The incumbent of this position serves as a Clinical Psychologist for the Department of Mental Health, St. Elizabeths Hospital, Forensic Inpatient Services, Post-Trial Branch. Responsible for the pre-trial/post-trial forensic/psychiatric patient unit administering and conducting psychiatric evaluations on an observation ward. Responsible for diagnostic evaluation and treatment of forensic patients that have the full range of psychiatric problems with the complicating conditions of court imposed deadlines, legal questions and patient confinement under the onerous stress of criminal court proceedings. Serves as the medical staff/team court witness and makes recommendations to the courts on patient competency to stand trial, criminal responsibility, and court requested treatment recommendations. Plans, coordinates, evaluates and directs a comprehensive treatment and rehabilitation program through multidisciplinary personnel, including psychiatric nurses, forensic psychiatric technicians, social workers, general practice medical officers, clinical psychologists, etc., who participate in the program for the patients.	
QUALIFICATIONS REQUIREMENT: DS-11 - Satisfactory completion of an American Psychological Association (APA) accredited doctoral program (Ph.D. or Psy.D) in clinical or counseling psychology and an APA accredited clinical internship. DS-12 - In addition to the requirements for the DS-11, one (1) year of appropriate professional experience at the equivalent of the DS-11 level. DS-13 - In addition to the requirements for the DS-12, a District of Columbia psychology license is required. Applicants must be a licensed Clinical Psychologist in the District of Columbia through the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs.	
SELECTIVE PLACEMENT FACTOR(S): None	

SUBMISSION OF RANKING FACTORS

The following ranking factors will be used in the evaluation process. All applicants **MUST** respond to the ranking factors. Please describe specific incidents from your experience that show evidence of the level at which you meet the ranking factors that have been determined to be of importance for the position for which you are applying. You may refer to any experience, education, training, awards, outside activities, etc., that indicate the degree to which you possess the job-related knowledge, skills, and abilities described in the ranking factors. The information given in response to the ranking factors should be complete and accurate to the best of your knowledge. **FAILURE TO RESPOND TO ALL RANKING FACTORS MAY ELIMINATE YOU FROM CONSIDERATION.**

RANKING FACTORS

Ranking factors are the same for the DS-11/12/13 grade levels.

1. Ability to provide a full range of psychological testing, including but not limited to intelligence testing, personality testing, cognitive testing, and diagnostic testing.
2. Knowledge of abnormal psychology, differential diagnosis, and various psychotherapeutic approaches appropriate for a variety of psychopathological conditions related to forensic cases.
3. Ability to plan and operate a treatment and rehabilitation program.
4. Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.

AN ORIGINAL SOURCE (I.E., UNIVESITY SUPPLIED) TRANSCRIPT OF THE APA ACCREDITED PH.D OR PSY.D. REQUIRED. EVIDENCE OF COMPLETION OF AN APA-APPROVED INTERNSHIP MUST ACCOMPANY THE DC-2000 APPLICATION.

NOTE: Applicants who do not have a current license to practice Psychology in the District of Columbia will be required to obtain one, within six (6) months, when they are eligible to apply. Permanent appointments at the DS-13 level will only be given to applicants who have a valid D.C. license in Psychology.

SUBSTITUTION OF EDUCATION FOR EXPERIENCE WILL BE ALLOWED AS DEFINED BY OPM'S X-118 QUALIFICATIONS STANDARDS. HOWEVER, IN ORDER TO RECEIVE CREDIT YOU MUST SUBMIT OFFICIAL PROOF OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT WITH YOUR APPLICATION. TIME-IN-GRADE REQUIREMENTS ARE APPLICABLE. APPLICANTS CLAIMING VETERANS PREFERENCE MUST SUBMIT OFFICIAL PROOF WITH THE APPLICATION.

APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION WILL NOT BE RETURNED TO THE APPLICANT, EXCEPT THAT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED OUTSIDE THE AREA OF CONSIDERATION OR AFTER THE CLOSING DATE WILL BE RETURNED WITHOUT ACTION.

HOW TO APPLY: ALL APPLICANTS, INCLUDING DEPARTMENTAL EMPLOYEES AND OTHER D.C. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, MUST SUBMIT THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION, DC 2000. SELECTION (S) FROM THIS VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT PENDING CLEARANCE THROUGH PRIORITY PLACEMENT PROGRAMS. "A NON-COMPETITIVE SELECTION OF A CANDIDATE ON THE AGENCY'S REEMPLOYMENT PRIORITY LIST OR THE DISPLACED EMPLOYEE'S PRIORITY LIST WILL RESULT IN CANCELLATION OF THIS VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT."

WHERE TO APPLY: DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20002
ATTN: Sharon A. Lofton, (202) 645-4545
FACSIMILE: (202) 673-4386

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE D. C. HUMAN RIGHTS ACT OF 1977, AS AMENDED, D. C. CODE SECTION 1-2501 et seq., ("THE ACT") THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, MARITAL STATUS, PERSONAL APPEARANCE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, FAMILIAL STATUS, FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES, MATRICULATION, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, DISABILITY, SOURCE OF INCOME, OR PLACE OF RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination which is also prohibited by the Act. DISCRIMINATION IN VIOLATION OF THE ACT WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. VIOLATORS WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

SALARY REDUCTION OF REEMPLOYED ANNUITANTS: An individual selected for employment in the District government on or after January 1, 1980, who is receiving an annuity under any District government civilian retirement system, shall have his or her pay reduced by the amount of annuity allocable to the period of employment.

OFFICIAL JOB OFFERS ARE MADE ONLY BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES.

DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE ACT OF 1988. "Pursuant to the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, the individual selected to fill this position will, as a condition of employment, be required to notify his or her immediate supervisor, in writing, no later than five days after conviction of or plea of guilty to a violation of any criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace."